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- 86. A therapeutic method for treating a bone-associated cancer comprising:
  - (a) hydrating said cancer patient by administration of water;
  - (b) parenterally administering a single dose of <sup>166</sup>Ho-DOTMP to said patient in an aqueous vehicle comprising an effective antiradiolytic amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable radioprotectant, said dose being effective to deliver about 20-60 Gy to the bone marrow of said patient;
  - (c) administering a dose of at least about 200 mg/m<sup>2</sup> melphalan to the patient; and
  - (d) providing the patient with an autologous stem cell transplant;

wherein the patient is not subjected to total body irradiation in conjunction with the therapeutic method.

- 87. The method of claim 86 wherein the cancer is multiple myeloma.
- 88. The method of claim 86 wherein the cancer is metastatic breast or prostate cancer.
- 89. The method of claim 86 wherein the cancer is Ewing's sarcoma.
- 90. The method of claim 86, 87 or 88 wherein the radioprotectant is ascorbic acid or gentisic acid.
- 91. The method of claim 90 wherein the concentration of ascorbic acid is about 35-75 mg/ml.
- 92. The method of claim 91 wherein the vehicle is buffered to about pH 7-8.
- 93. The method of claim 90, 91 or 92 wherein the dose is effective to deliver about 20-30 Gy to the bone marrow of said patient.

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94. A method to prepare a medicament for the treatment of bone-associated cancer comprising combining <sup>166</sup>Ho-DOTMP in an aqueous vehicle with an effective antiradiolytic amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable radioprotectant, wherein said medicament is effective to deliver a dose of about 20-60 Gy to the bone marrow of said patient in a single infused dose.

- 95. The use of claim 94 wherein the radioprotectant is ascorbic acid or gentisic acid.
- 96. The method of claim 94 or 95 wherein the vehicle is buffered to about pH 7-8.
- 97. The method of claim 94 wherein the cancer is multiple myeloma.
- 98. The method of claim 94 wherein the cancer is Ewing's sarcoma.
- 99. The method of claim 94 wherein the cancer is metastatic breast or prostate cancer.
- 100. A liquid pharmaceutical composition comprising <sup>166</sup>Ho complexed with 1,4,7,10-tetraazacyclododecanetetramethylene-phosphonic acid (DOTMP) and an effective antiradiolytic amount of a pharmaceutically acceptable radiprotectant.
- 101. The composition of claim 100, wherein the radioprotectant is ascorbic acid or gentisic acid.
- 102. The composition of claim 101 comprising about 35-75 mg ascorbic acid/ml of composition.
- 103. The composition of claim 100 or 101 wherein the ratio of DOTMP to <sup>166</sup>Ho is above 3.
- 104. The composition of claim 100, comprising an aqueous carrier adjusted to pH 7-8.